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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR IO TZ

SUBJ: DIEGO GARCIA AND INDIAN OCEAN

REF: STATE 22764; DAR 0349

1. FOREIGN SECRETARY SIR ALEC DOUGLAS HOME TOOK INITIATIVE IN RAISING DISCUSSION OF INDIAN OCEAN AND DIEGO GARCIA EXPANSION DURING HIS VISIT TO TANZANIA, WHICH HAS JUST BEEN COMPLETED.
2. THIS CHANGE IN SCENARIO WAS AGREED UPON ON MONDAY EVENING WITH NEW UK DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY FOR AFRICAN AFFAIRS, ALAN CAMPBELL, WHO ACCOMPANIED SIR ALEC. RATIONALE FOR THIS CHANGE IS THAT WITH SUBJECT SO NEAR TO PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT IT WOULD HAVE APPEARED ODD FOR SIR ALEC NOT TO HAVE MENTIONED IT.
3. FOREIGN SECRETARY, ACCORDING TO MY UK COLLEAGUE, RAISED SUBJECT MOST SKILLFULLY WITH PRESIDENT NYERERE

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DURING THEIR TWO-HOUR MEETING TUESDAY MORNING, 5 FEB.

SIR ALEC OPENED DISCUSSION BY GIVING NYERERE STATUS REPORT ON DETENTE AND SAYING THAT, BASED ON HIS (FOREIGN SECRETARY'S) RECENT MOSCOW VISIT, HE SENSED THAT SOVIETS WERE STILL NOT BEING RESPONSIVE ON HUMANITARIAN CAUSES AND MBFR TALKS.

4. HE THEN DESCRIBED BUILD-UP OF SOVIETS IN EUROPE, ALONG BORDER WITH CHINA AND IN INDIAN OCEAN. HE FURTHER DESCRIBED INDISPENSABILITY OF SEALANES IN INDIAN OCEAN TO UK AND TO WEST AND SAID THESE MUST BE PROTECTED.

5. NYERERE WAS DESCRIBED AS HAVING LISTENED TO THIS LECTURE VERY QUIETLY AND HAVING SAID THAT, BASED ON HIS VISIT TO MOSCOW, HE FELT SOVIETS WANTED PEACE BUT THEY FELT "SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR FOISTING IT UPON WHOM THEY PLEASED".

6. SIR ALEC DEALTH WITH THE INDIAN OCEAN AGAIN IN HIS PRESS CONFERENCE BEFORE DEPARTURE AND HANDLED SUBJECT SUPERBLY.

7. BASED ON THIS CHANGE IN PLANS, I AM NOW ARRANGING CALL ON FOREIGN MINISTER TO FOLLOW UP ON SUBJECT INSTEAD OF ASSUMING INITIATIVE.  
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